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ANNOUNCEMENT OF REGIONAL BOARD PERCHLORATE PUBLIC ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

I am pleased to invite you to attend the Regional Board's first Perchlorate Public Advisory Group (PPAG) meeting to provide an opportunity to share technical information related to perchlorate and to ensure that participants benefit from the perspectives of members of affected communities. Given the importance of perchlorate as a public policy issue, we have moved ahead to schedule the first meeting of this group for ~~Friday, March 14th~~ at 9 a.m. at the Regional Board's office in the Pacific Ocean Room, 2nd Floor, 320 West 4th Street, Los Angeles. In the event you are unable to attend this or forthcoming meetings, a summary of the meeting will be posted on our website to keep you informed.

As you may know, groundwater affected by perchlorate contamination is now affecting water supply systems within the Los Angeles Region. Federal, State and local regulatory agencies, in addition to water supply companies, are looking to the Regional Board to assist with identifying perchlorate contaminant sources. By establishing the PPAG, Regional Board staff will provide a forum to interested parties to discuss all aspects related to perchlorate and its impact on the environment Region-wide. PPAG meetings should provide an opportunity for all participants to exchange information relating to perchlorate including information on the latest regulatory actions relating to perchlorate investigations and cleanups, public health issues, analytical testing, and advances in treatment technology.

I understand the interest of members of the public in participating in PPAG meetings and the difficulty many will have in participating during work hours. To that end, I intend to schedule two evening meetings of the PPAG, over the course of the next year.

Please contact Mr. Dixon Oriola at (213) 576-6803, or Mr. Robert Ehe at (213) 576-6740 if you are planning to attend the meeting, and/or have any questions regarding this matter. Your participation is greatly appreciated. A copy of the Agenda and a map to this office are enclosed.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Dickerson
Executive Officer

Enclosures: (1) Meeting agenda
(2) Map to Regional Board office

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**PERCHLORATE WORKING GROUP MEETING
LOS ANGELES REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
320 W. 4th Street
Los Angeles Ca, 90013
PACIFIC OCEAN ROOM-2nd FLOOR
MARCH 14, 2003, 9:00 -12:00 AM**

1. INTRODUCTIONS
2. PURPOSE, GOALS AND INTENDED ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Open Discussion by Participants)
3. REGULATORY AGENCY PERCHLORATE PRESENTATIONS
 - Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Mr. Dixon Oriola)--Update on Perchlorate Groundwater Pollution within the Los Angeles Region
 - State Department of Health Services-Drinking Water Field Operations Branch (Mrs. Vera Melnyk-Vecchio)--Perchlorate Impacts to Water Supply Wells (Topic Needs to be Confirmed)
 - United States Environmental Protection Agency (Mr. Kevin Mayer)--Federal Update on Perchlorate
4. ANALYTICAL TESTING PROCURE FOR PERCHLORATE
 - Overview of EPA Method 314.0 (Mr. Fred Haley, Del Mar Analytical Laboratory)
5. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT FUTURE PERCHLORATE WORKING GROUP MEETINGS (Open Discussion by Participants)
6. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

